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1. Young fruit trees from nurseries in the French Zone of Germany are being requisitioned and shipped to Metz to be transplanted in France.
2. A "Holzaktion" in the Black Forest has begun. Two thousand laborers for tree-felling, sawing, and loading have just arrived from France to work in Kreis Neustadt, Kreis Donaueschinger, and Kreis Konstanz. This influx of laborers places a new housing and feeding burden on each small community. The town of Hilzingen, near Singen, now has sixty to seventy woodcutters to house; the small town of Kappel, near Freiburg im Breisgau, has fifteen to twenty.
3. The woodcutters, who are French civilians, Italians, and Poles, are employed by French firms and are under the official care of the Red Cross. The cooperation between the employing firms and the occupying troops is guaranteed by an official arrangement made between the various French ministries concerned.

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